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## SAPD Officer Involved Shooting

A preliminary investigation pertaining to an officer involved shooting reveals the following:

This morning officers responded to the 11200 block of Whisper Willow for a family disturbance involving several weapons. When officers arrived the suspect was found in possession of a handgun and samurai sword while standing on the roof of the home. The suspect pointed the firearm at officers several times. The suspect managed to set the home on fire and then fled on a motorcycle leading officers on a low speed pursuit into Boerne, Texas. During the pursuit the suspect pointed his weapon at officers several more times. The suspect, subsequently, came to a stop on the main lanes of IH 10 W in Boerne. Both SAPD and Boerne PD officers shot at the suspect as officers feared for their safety. The suspect was struck multiple times and died at the scene in Boerne.

The SAPD shooting team, DPS, and the Boerne Pd are all investigating the incident. As per department protocol the officers, a probationary and a 12 year veteran, will be placed on administrative duty.

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